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RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF NON-COMPLIANT APPEAL BRIEF

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Sir:

In response to the Notification of Non-Complaint Appeal Brief Mailed March 8, 2007,
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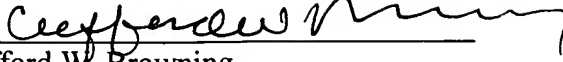
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V. SUMMARY OF CLAIMED SUBJECT MATTER

(37 C.F.R. §41.37(c)(1)(v))

Independent claim 1, the only independent claim, claims a method for providing a one game scratch match play single elimination bowling tournament for league players, comprising the following steps:

- a. providing a pool of eligible league players [see p. 1, lines 4-7 and lines 13-23; p. 2, lines 1-6];
- b. placing each eligible league player into one of eight divisions, each division being defined by highest average scores attained by league players in current league play [see p. 1, lines 8-13; p. 2, lines 7-16];
- c. conducting a local first round of competition in which each of the eligible league players in each of the eight divisions engages in one game scratch match play, single elimination, eight-player brackets, until one player prevails in each division and continues on to a regional second round [see p. 2, line 17, to p. 5, line 14];
- d. conducting a regional second round in 512 locations that are geographically distributed as equally as possible in which each of the eight divisions engages in one game scratch match play, single elimination, until one player prevails in each division and continues on to a championship round [see p. 5, line 15, to p. 7, line 19];
- e. conducting a championship round in a single location in which each of the 512 league players who prevail in the regional second round in each of the eight divisions engages in one game scratch match play, single elimination, until 8 tournament champions prevail, one in each of the eight divisions [see p. 7, line 20, to p. 8, line 17].